

Senate Study Bill 1138 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
NATURAL RESOURCES AND
ENVIRONMENT BILL BY
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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for a product stewardship report by the
2 department of natural resources.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 455B.317 Product stewardship —
2 report.

3 1. By January 15 of each year, the department shall submit a
4 product stewardship report to the general assembly. The report
5 shall supply information identifying solid waste according
6 to product or product category. The report shall consider
7 latex paint, oil-based paint, aseptic packaging, waste tires,
8 florescent bulbs, and food waste. The report shall not include
9 consideration of motor vehicles or watercraft.

10 2. The department shall use the report described in
11 subsection 1 to recommend a strategy that most efficiently
12 manages solid waste as classified according to product
13 or product category. The strategy shall at least include
14 recommendations for all of the following:

15 a. Disposing of hazardous chemicals, toxic materials, or
16 harmful physical agents that pose a risk of an adverse impact
17 to the environment or public health and safety.

18 b. Increasing the recovery of materials for reuse or
19 recycling.

20 c. Reducing costs associated with solid waste management.

21 3. In preparing its report, the department shall consider
22 how other states have classified solid waste according to
23 products and product categories and how other states have
24 successfully collected and managed solid waste, including
25 recovering and recycling efforts. When preparing the report,
26 the department shall consult with landfill operators and
27 businesses engaged in recycling solid waste. The department
28 shall also invite participation from interested members of the
29 public.

30 4. As part of its report, the department shall recommend the
31 establishment of a product stewardship program that implements
32 or improves upon the strategy developed by the department under
33 this section, including by detailing any legislative proposals
34 required for implementation or explaining the adoption of
35 proposed rules under existing statutory authority.

1 EXPLANATION

2 This bill requires the department of natural resources to
3 prepare and submit a product stewardship report to the general
4 assembly each year. The report shall supply information
5 identifying solid waste according to product or product
6 category. The department must use the report to recommend
7 a strategy that most efficiently manages solid waste as
8 classified according to product or product category. The
9 department must recommend the establishment of a product
10 stewardship program that implements or improves upon the
11 strategy developed by the department, including legislative
12 proposals or the adoption of proposed rules.